

Boston Encampment.
Records.

1802 March 12th to March 15 1803

On Friday evening March 12th - 1802, The following
Knights of the Red Cross, met at Maron's Hall
in Winton & agreed to form themselves, into a Me-
-etrical Encampment. Vizt?

S^r. Henry Fowle
Samuel Willing
Eliza Siquerry
Benjamin Smith
James Harrison
Andrew Siquerry
Frederick Hudson
Henry Purritt
Joseph Tucker
William Bentlee

Voted, that Andrew Siquerry be a Secretary until
there shall be a regular choice of Officers.

Voted, that S^r. Eliza Siquerry be a Committee to pro-
cure Swords for the Encampment.

Voted, that S^r. Henry Fowle be a Committee to procure
the Jewels & Insignia of the Officers.

Voted that S^r. William Bentlee be a Committee to
procure Two Dozen Aprons.

Voted, that this meeting be adjourned to next Friday
evening, then to meet at this place at 6 o'clock.

At a Meeting of the above Knights, at Maron's Hall
on Friday evening March 19th - 1802.

Voted, that we now proceed to the choice of Officers
and the following Members were elected to the Officers
affixed to their respective names. Vizt!

S^r. Henry Fowle
Eliza Siquerry
Andrew Siquerry
Joseph Tucker
William Bentlee

S^r. Henry Fowle
James Harrison
Benj^a. Smith
Sam^t. Willing
Henry Purritt

Voted, that S^r. Henry Fowle & Willm. Bentley be a Committee to procure the Hall near the Market for the use of the Encampment & if it can be done at a reasonable price to engage the same.

S^r. Eliza Sigourney reported that he had procured Twenty Swords & Twenty three Black Swords & Belts, for the use of the members of the Encampment, which Report was accepted.

Voted, that the Encampment be adjourned to Friday evening the 25th Inst. then to meet at this Place at 6 o'clock.

At a Meeting of the Encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross at Mason's Hall on Friday evening March 28th 1802

Present

S^r. West Hudson
Eliza Sigourney
Andrew Sigourney
William Bentley

S^r. Henry Fowle
James Harrison
Benja. Smith
Sam'l. Billings
Henry Burritt

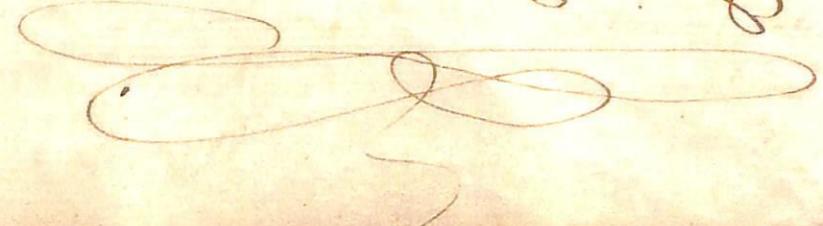
S^r. Henry Fowle reported, that the Committee appointed to procure the Hall near the Market, had attended to that business, & that they had agreed therefor, at the rate of Sixteen Dollars & Annum, provided it met with the approbation of the members of the Encampment, whereupon it was Voted that the Report of the Committee be accepted & that the next Encampment be held there.

Voted, that S^r. Samuel Billings apply to S^r. Robert Newman to attend & act as a Centurion for the Encampment.

Voted, that ~~paying~~ the expenses of this & our former meetings be paid by the members present which was done.

Voted, that the next Encampment be held at Mason's Hall near the Market on Friday evening April 2. 1802 and that this Encampment be now closed.

Clt. Andrew Sigourney Secy



At a Meeting of the Encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross held at Mason's Hall on Friday evening Apr. 2. 1802

Present.

S^r. West Hudson

Eliza Sigourney

Andrew Sigourney

William Bentley

Joseph Tucker

S^r. Henry Fowle

James Harrison

Benja. Smith

Sam'l. Billings

Henry Burritt

S^r. Samuel Billings reported, that he had applied to Robert Newman to act as Centurion for the Encampment, and that he would attend, & do the duty the Encampment requiring him what they should think proper, until his salary could be fixed.

Voted, that S^r. Eliza Sigourney be a Committee to procure a Green curtain, & red Cloathing for the Candidates, to be decided in who should apply for this Degree.

Voted, that S^r. William Bentley supply the Encampment with such Implements & necessary as are wanted.

Voted, that S^r. Henry Fowle, Benja. Smith, Sam'l. Billings & Andrew Sigourney be a Committee to form a Code of Laws & Rules for the Regulation of the Encampment.

Voted, that every Candidate who receives the Degree of Knighthood shall pay Ten Dollars therefor & every Knight admitted a member of this Encampment shall pay Five Dollars therefor.

Voted, that S^r. Joseph Tucker be a Committee to fit the Chamber in the upper Story in such a manner, as to be fit to put the Arms of the Encampment into.

S^r. William Bentley reported, that he had procured the Two Dozen Aprons, agreeable to Vote of March 12th.

Voted, that Candidates applying for this Degree stand prepared One Month, except those bound immediately to Sea.

Voted, that the Encampment be closed, until Friday evening April 16th

Clt. Andrew Sigourney Secy



At an Encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross held
at Maron Hall on Friday evening April 16th 1802.

Present.

S^r Herk Hudson
Eliza Sigourney
Andrew Sigourney
William Bentley
Robt. Newman Cent.

S^r Henry Towle Jr. Sov^r
James Harrison M^r C^m
Benjamin Smith
Sam'l Billings
Henry Purditt

S^r Eliza Sigourney reported, that he had procured the
Coutain & Cloathing agreeable to the Vote pass'd the 2. Inst.
Mr. Sov^r S^r Henry Towle proposed, Companion Francis Heath &
wait, to receive the Degree of Knighthood this evening he being
bound immediately to sea, whereupon it was voted that he be
Balloted for which was done & he was unanimously accepted
& the Degree conferr'd upon him.

M^r. Sov^r Proposed Compt^r William Learned, to become a
Knight of the Red Cross.

Voted, that the Encampment be closed until Friday
evening May 14th

Rec^r. of S^r Fran. Heathwait ... \$10am

At. Andrew Sigourney Secy

At an Encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross held
at Maron Hall on Friday evening May 14th 1802

Present.

S^r Herk Hudson

Eliza Sigourney
Andrew Sigourney
Joseph Tucker

William Bentley

Robt. Newman Cent.

S^r Henry Towle Jr. Sov^r
James Harrison M^r C^m
Benj. Smith
Sam'l Billings
Henry Purditt

Compt^r William Learned, was this evening balloted for and
unanimously accepted, of the Degree of Knighthood conferr'd on him.

M^r. Sov^r Proposed, Compt^r James Wilson, Joseph Jones, Will
Bond, Nath'l Weld & Anthony Dumervil, as Candidates for
this Degree or Order of Knighthood.

M^r. Sov^r Proposed, S^r William Learned, to become a member
of this Encampment.

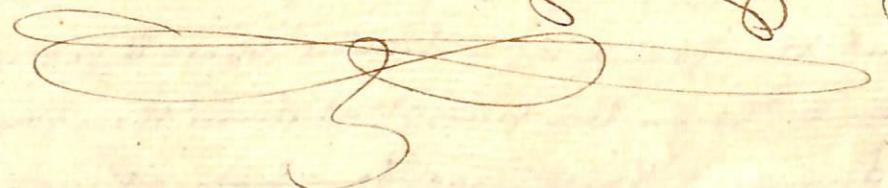
Voted, that all those who have Demanded, against the Encampment
give in their Vot^s to the Secretary to be Seal before the members.

Voted, that S^r Eliza Sigourney be a Committee to procure Green
Sashes, for the members of the Encampment.

Voted, that the Regular Meeting of the Encampment be on
the Wednesday evening next after the full of the moon in each
Month.

Rec^r. of S^r Wm. Learned \$10am

At. Andrew Sigourney Secy



At a Regular Encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross
held at Maron Hall on Wednesday evening June 16th 1802

Present.

S^r Eliza Sigourney

Andrew Sigourney

William Bentley

Robt. Newman Cent.

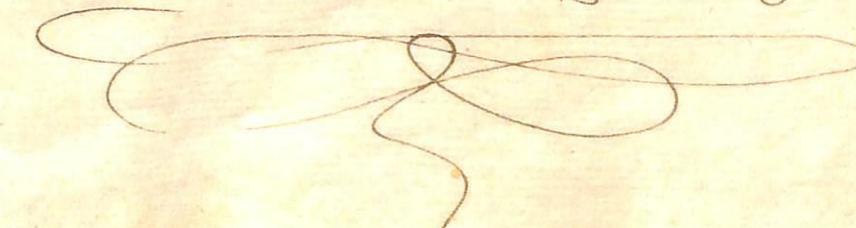
S^r Henry Towle Jr. Sov^r

Benj. Smith

Sam'l Billings

Voted, that a Special Encampment be held on Friday evening
next, the Candidates not having been informed of the alteration
of the time of meeting.

At. Andrew Sigourney Secy



At a Special Encampment of the Knights of the Tree Croft
held at Maron Hall on Friday evening June 18th. 1802.

Present.

S^r. Wm. H. Hudson

Blisha Sigourney

Andrew Sigourney

William Bentlee

Wm. Learned

S^r. Henry Fowler Dr^r. Soc^r.

James Harrison Mr & M

Benj^a. Smith

Sam'l Willings

Henry Purvitt

Mobt. Newman Cert.

Voted, that we now proceed to ballot for the Candidates who have been proposed & stood the regular time, which was done and Comp^r. James Wilson, Wm. Bond Nath^t Wild & Anthony Dumeril were unanimously accepted & for^r. Jones rejected.

Voted, that S^r. William Bentlee to all of dues payed be agreed on the Members, & 69/100 was paid by each Member present.

Voted, that the price of a sword belt & scorpion be Five Dollars, and that each Member pay that sum therefor, except S^r. Henry Fowler & Samuel Willings, to whom it was Voted, that they be presented with those articles from the Encampment.

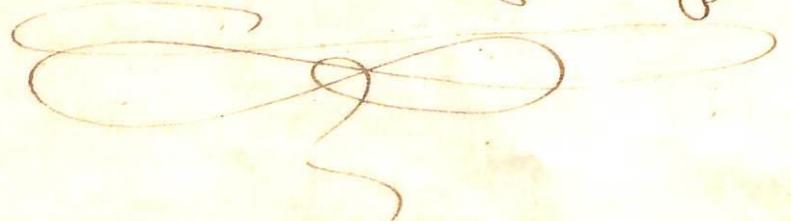
S^r. William Learned was balloted for to become a member and unanimously admitted.

The Order of Knighthood was then conferred on Comp^r. Nath^t Wild, Wm. Bond & Anthony Dumeril. They were then severally proposed by the Br^r & Mr. to become members of this Encampment.

Recd. of S^r. Nath^t Wild 10 m
Wm. Bond 10 m
Wm. Learned 5 m
for Agreement of members 6.21

\$ 31.21

Clt. Andrew Sigourney Secy



At a Regular Encampment of the Knights of the Tree Croft
held at Maron Hall on Wednesday evening July 23rd 1802

Present

S^r. Wm. H. Hudson

Blisha Sigourney

Andrew Sigourney

William Bentlee

William Learned

S^r. Henry Fowler Dr^r. Soc^r.

James Harrison Mr & M

Benj^a. Smith

Sam'l Willings

Henry Purvitt

Mobt. Newman Cert.

S^r. Nath^t Wild, William Bond & Anthony Dumeril were severally balloted for to become members & they were all unanimously admitted.

Voted, that the Encampment be adjourned until the Wednesday next after the full of the moon in October next.

Clt. Andrew Sigourney Secy

At a Regular Encampment of the Knights of the Tree Croft held at Maron Hall, on Wednesday evening Oct. 13th 1802

Present

S^r. Wm. H. Hudson

Blisha Sigourney

Andrew Sigourney

William Bentlee

Anthony Dumeril

S^r. Henry Fowler Dr^r. Soc^r.

James Harrison Mr & M

Benj^a. Smith

Sam'l Willings

Henry Purvitt

Mobt. Newman Cert.

The Committee Appointed in April last, to form a code of Laws, for the regulation of the Encampment, reported that they had attended to that business, and that the Laws they had Drafted, were ready for the Inspection of the Members, whereupon, it was Voted, that they be read, which being done, Article by Article, it was Voted, that they be accepted, & that the Secretary insert the same in the book of records, & that every Member sign the same at the next Regular Encampment.

Clt. Andrew Sigourney Secy



At a regular Encampment of the Knights of the Red
Cross held at Mason's Hall on Wednesday evening Nov. 10th 1802

Present.

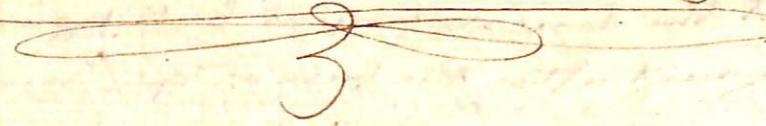
S^r. Eliza Sigourney
Andrew Sigourney
Joseph Tucker
William Bentley
Anthony Durneril

S^r. Henry Bowle Jr. Dr. S^r.
James Harrison Dr. S^r.
Benj. Smith
Henry Purritt
Robt. Hudson

Robt. Newman Capt.

The Secretary reported, that he had not yet finished inserting
the byg Laws desired further time which was granted.

Att. Andrew Sigourney Secy



At a regular Encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross
held at Mason's Hall on Wednesday evening Dec. 15th 1802

Present

William Bentley Comr^y Henry Bowle Dr. S^r.
Joseph Tucker \$3 James Harrison Dr. S^r. \$3
Henry Purritt Dr. S^r. Benj. Smith 1st light \$3
William Learned \$3. Saml. Willing 2nd light \$3
Anthony Durneril Andrew Sigourney Secy \$3
Robt. Newman Capt.

The Secretary reported, that the byg Laws, was inserted
in the Book of Record & ready for the members to sign
whereupon it was voted that they be read & then signed
by the members present, which was done.

Voted, that every member, be allowed three Dollars, to
pay part of the expences, due from the Encampment.

Voted, that S^r. William Bentley be a Committee, to settle
with Robt. Newman for his services as sentinel, to the En-
campment, to this date, and enquire upon what term he will
act as sentinel, Distribute notifications, Open & shut, the Hall for
the year ensuing, which he immediately attended to, and

Reported, that for his past Services, he would receive five
Dollars, and that he would do the business required for the
year ensuing at the rate of One Dollar for each and every
evening attendance. which Report was accepted.

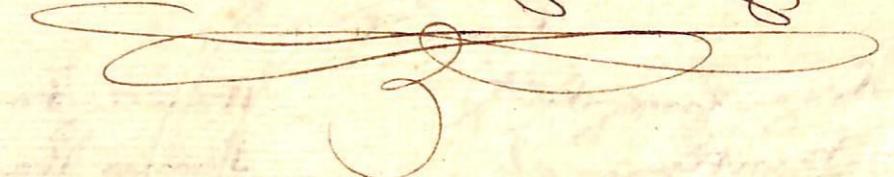
Voted, that we now proceed to the choice of Officers, and
following were unanimously chosen, to the offices affixed to
their respective names.

Saml. Willing Dr. S^r.
Robt. Hudson Capt. Dr.
Andrew Sigourney Secy
William Bentley Comr^y
Henry Purritt 2nd light
Robt. Newman Capt.

Henry Bowle Dr. S^r.
James Harrison Dr. S^r.
Benj. Smith 1st light.
Henry Purritt 2nd light.
Eliza Sigourney Dr. S^r.

Acc^d. for Expences ----- \$18 m

Att. Andrew Sigourney Secy



At a regular Encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross
held at Mason's Hall on Wednesday evening Jan 12th 1803

Present.

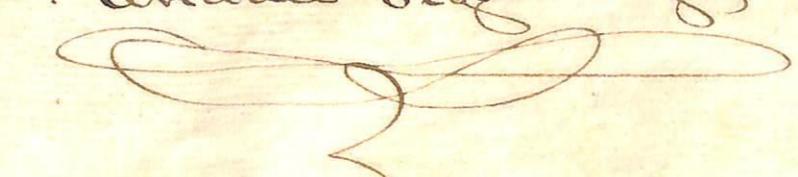
Andrew Sigourney Secy
William Learned
Nathl. Weld
William Bond
Robt. Newman Capt.
Visitor Capt.

Henry Bowle Dr. S^r.
James Harrison Dr. S^r.
Benj. Smith 1st light.
Henry Purritt 2nd light.
Saml. Willing Dr. S^r.
Robt. Hudson Capt.

The Encampment, being formed, the members went thro'
the ceremony of gathering Knight & then closed.

Acc^d. of S^r. Nathl. Weld - \$13 m

Att. Andrew Sigourney

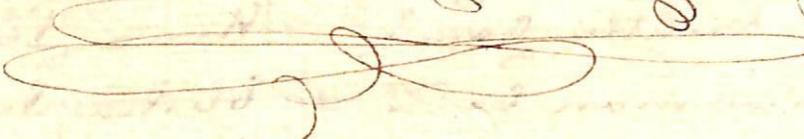


At a regular encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross
held at Mason's Hall on Wednesday evening Feb^r. 9th 1803

Present

Andrew Siegurney Secy	Henry Fowler Jr S
William Bentley	Benj'a Smith 1 st Genl
Anthony Dumaine	Henry Purkitt 2 nd Genl.
Robert Newman Capt	Sam'l Billings M.C.
No business done this evening.	West Hudson Capt. Esq

Clt. Andrew Siegurney Secy



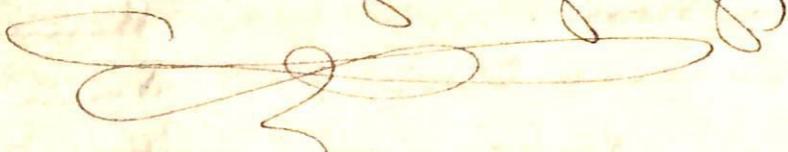
At a regular meeting of the Knights of the Red Cross
at Mason's Hall on Wednesday evening March 9th 1803

Present

Andrew Siegurney Secy	Henry Fowler Jr S
William Bentley	James Harrison Dr. M
Joseph Tucker	Benj'a Smith 1 st Genl.
Nath'l. Webb	Henry Purkitt 2 nd Genl.
William Learned	Sam'l Billings M.C.
Robert Newman Capt	West Hudson Capt. Esq

The encampment being formed the brethren went thro'
the ceremony of exalting a knight & then closed.

Clt. Andrew Siegurney Secy



At a regular encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross
held at Mason's Hall on Wednesday evening June 1st 1803

Present

Andrew Siegurney	Benj'a Smith
William Bentley	Sam'l Billings

Voted, that the encampment be adjourned to the Wednesday next after the full of the second moon in Sept. next

Clt. Andrew Siegurney Secy



At a regular encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross
held at Mason's Hall on Wednesday evening Oct. 5. 1803

Present

Sam'l Billings M.C.	Henry Fowler Jr S.
West Hudson Capt.	James Harrison Dr. M
William Bentley Capt.	Benj'a Smith 1 st Genl
Andrew Siegurney	Henry Purkitt 2 nd Genl.
Joseph Tucker & William Learned Capt.	

Robert Newman Capt

Voted, that the following clause be inserted in the 2nd Article of the byg Laws, vizt That every candidate exalted become a member, if he chooses, without any other expense than the fee of exaltation, anything in the 5th Article to the contrary notwithstanding, also that the words, "it knighted in this encampment, if not ten dollars" be erased from the 5th Article.

Voted, that S^r. Samuel Billings pay the bill for the use of the Hall for the year & present the same at the next meeting and that the secretary pay him & S^r. Wm Bentley bill also any other demands, against the encampment, and have his account ready for adjustment.

Voted, that the next meeting of the Encampment be on the last Wednesday in December next.

Alt. Andrew Sigourney Secy

At a regular Encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross held at Maron Hall on Wednesday evening December 28th 1803

Present

Andrew Sigourney Secy	Henry Towle - Dr. S.
William Bentley Com ^d	Benj ^a . Smith 1 st Gent.
Joseph Tucker	Henry Purcell 2 nd Gent.
Robert Newman Secy	Sgt. Willing Th. C.

Voted, that we proceed to the choice of Officers for the year ensuing & the following members were elected to the Officer office to their respective names, Nov^r.

S ^r . Wm. Hudson Capt C ^d	S ^r . Henry Towle Dr. Sov ^r
" William Bentley Com ^d	" James Hanson Th. C. Th
" Eliza Sigourney P ^r Mr. C ^d	" Benj ^a . Smith 1 st Gent
" Andrew Sigourney Secy	" Henry Purcell 2 nd Gent.
" Robert Newman Secy	" Sgt. Willing Th. C.

Voted, that S^r. Benj^a. Smith & S^r. Samuel Willing be a Committee to Audit the Secretary account, they immediately attended that business and reported that they found it right and well Vouched, and that there was a small^r due the Secy of \$71.40.

Voted, that the sum of \$7.20 be imposed on each member except the Paym^r Gent. Committee & dect^r in order to pay the above sum Due the Secy for money advanced by him, to pay the debt due from the Encampment, and that the above Agreement, with the Agreement of three Dollars paid last December, be repaid to them, and also the Agreement paid by the Paym^r Gent. Committee & dect^r last Dec^r be repaid to them, or money may be received from

Candidates together, anything in the byg Laws to the contrary notwithstanding.

Voted, that S^r. Samuel Willing be a Committee to inform Mr. Thayer, that the Encampment have no further use for the Hall, and also to inform Compt^r. Seth Johnson, that the Encampment will be held in Maron Hall at the Green Dragon Tavern in future.

Voted, that the Comt^r remove the Property of the Encampment to Compt^r. Johnson and see proper care taken of the same, Inventory of which is as follows. Wit^r two Drums
contg^r 8 Swords, 10 Belts, 10 Aprons, Green Curtain, Black & Trowsers, 1 Crown, 1 Sceptre, 2 Knarles & Chain, 2 Decanters, 1 Pitcher & Bowl 1 Mug Spoon, Knife, Sciss & Lemon Squeezers
1 Bucket & 24 Wine Glasses, a candle box, a block & 3 bottles.

Voted, that the expences of future meetings be imposed on the members present, and the absent members be imposed the same as those present.

Voted, that the next Encampment be held on the last Wednesday in March next.

Recd. of S ^r . Henry Towle	\$.. 20.
" Benj ^a . Smith	" \$.. 20
" Saml. Willing	" \$.. 20
" Henry Purcell	" \$.. 20
" Joseph Tucker	" \$.. 20
	\$36.00 Alts.

Alt. Andrew Sigourney Secy

Alt. Andrew Sigourney Secy

At a regular Encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross
held at Mason's Hall on Wednesday evening March 28th 1804.

Present.

Andrew Siegurreey L.M.D.	Henry Towle M. D.
William Bentley Com ^d	James Harrison P. Mr.
S ^r . Joseph Tucker	Benz ^a . Smith 1 st Genl
William Learned	Henry Jackson 2 nd Genl
Anthony Dumaine	Sam ^t . Williams C. M. C
Robert Newman Genl.	Herk ^h . Hudson C. M. C

Visitors. S^r. Joshua Eaton H^d. Benj^a. Gleason

The Encampment being opened in due form, the Petitions of Com^ds Thomas Jackson, Ings Hammatt, Belv^h. Newman, Robert Lash Genl. for to receive the Order of Knighthood was read, & they were severally ballotted for & unanimously accepted, and the Order of Knighthood was conferred upon them, after which the Encampment was closed in due form until the last Wednesday in April next. Previous to which the P. Mr. proposed Com^d. Sam^t. Abbott as a Candidate for the Order of Knighthood.

Recd. of S ^r . Thos ^h . Jackson for the Order	10 ^m
" of S ^r . Ings Hammatt	10 ^m
" of S ^r . Edward Newman	10 ^m
" of S ^r . Robert Lash Genl.	10 ^m
for 4 Swords, Belts, Aprons & Sabres	30 ^m
for 11 Sabres	22.50
for Apartment this evening	7 ^m

Recd. during the closing of the Encampment \$104.50
in Dec^r. last the balance of Apartment then laid

\$110.50

At a regular Encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross
held at Mason's Hall on Wednesday evening April 26th 1804.

Present

S ^r . Joseph Tucker	Henry Towle M. D. M. Dr.
William Learned	Benj ^a . Smith 1 st Genl.
Thomas Jackson	Henry Jackson 2 nd Genl.
Ings Hammatt	Sam ^t . Williams C. M. C.
Belv ^h . Newman	Herk ^h . Hudson Capt. G. Dr.
Robt. Lash Jr	Andrew Siegurreey L.M.D.
Robt. Newman Genl.	William Bentley Com ^d

The Encampment being opened in due form, the Petition of Com^ds Nath^t. Brown & John Sweet, to receive the Order of Knighthood was read, they were ballotted for and both unanimously accepted, & the Order was conferred upon them.

The P. Mr. proposed Com^d. Sam^t. Abbott as a Candidate for the Order.

Recd. of S ^r . Nath ^t . Brown for the Order	10 ^m
" of S ^r . John Sweet	10 ^m
Major 2 Swords, Belts, Aprons & Sabres	15 ^m
" for Apartment for the Evening	5.. 60
	<u>\$40.. 60</u>

At a Special Encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross
held at Masons Hall on Saturday evening Dec 22nd 1804

Present

S^r. Joseph Tucker
Thomas Jackson
Nath'l Brown
Edward Horrman
John Sweett

Henry Fowle R. S.
Henry Purkitt
Andrew Sigourney
Samuel Billings
Herk Hudson
William Bentley

The Encampment being opened in due form, the Petition
of Camp^m Sanc^t. Abbat, to receive the Order of Knighthood
was read, and he was ballot^d for & unanimously accepted and the
Order confid upon him — the Encampment was then
closed until September next, unless ordered to be opened by
the Dr. S. Previous to that time — previous to which S^r. Henry
Fowle Edw^r Horrman & J^s Hammatt were appointed a Committee to
audit the Accounts of Capt^y. C. M. D.

At a regular Encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross
held at Masons Hall on Wednesday evening Dec. 26th 1804

Present

Edward Horrman
Nath'l Brown
Sam^t. Abbott
John Sweett

Henry Fowle
Henry Purkitt
Sam^t. Billings
Andrew Sigourney
John W. Hammatt

The Committee appointed to examine the Account of the C. M. D.
Dispatcher, reported, that they had attended the duty assigned
them, and found his account correct, and a balance due him of
Fifteen Dollars Fifty three cents, which report was accepted.

The Encampment was then closed until the last Wednesday in Nov.

At a regular meeting of the members of the Encampment of the Knights
of the Red Cross held at Masons Hall Wednesday evening Dec. 28th 1804

Present

John W. Hammatt
Robert Lash
Nath'l Brown
John Sweett

Henry Fowle
Andrew Sigourney
Herk Hudson
Tho. Jackson

Voted, that the Encampment be formed at this place on the
third Wednesday in Decth next and that the choice of Officers for
the year ensuing be on that evening and the C. M. D. notified each
Member thereof by sending him a special notification.

At a Regular meeting of the Encamp-
ment of Knights of the Red Cross at Masons Hall on
Wednesday evening Dec 19. 1804

Present

Thomas Jackson
Edward Horrman
Nath'l Brown
Samuel Abbott

Henry Fowle R. S.
Henry Purkett 2 Gen^r
Herk Hudson Capt^y Gds
Andrew Sigourney G. M. D
William Learned

The Byelaws being read it was voted to proceed
to the choice of Officers for the year ensuing.

Voted that S^r. Nathaniel Brown be a Committee
to count & assort the votes.

The following members were unanimously elected
to the Offices affixed to their several names. W^r.

Henry Fowle R. S. G. M.
Thomas Jackson G. M. Samuel Billings 1st Gen^r
Herk Hudson Capt^y Gds Henry Purkett 2 Gen^r
Nath'l Brown Com^r Andrew Sigourney P. M. G.
William Learned R. S. Robert Lash jun. G. M. D
J. B. Hammatt 3 Guards
John Sweett 8 Guards

Voted that the Bye Laws remain suspended until the meeting in January next.

Voted that to discharge the debts due from the Encampment, there be an assessment of 1:50 $\frac{1}{2}$ dollars on each member

Voted that the past Grand Master of Dispatches inform Sir Robert Lashjum^r of his election to that Office

Voted that the Grand Master of Dispatches notify the absent Officers of their election.

At a regular meeting of the Members of the Encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross, at Masons Hall on Wednesday evening) January 16. 1805.

Present

Nath. Brown

John B Hammatt

Joseph Tucker

Henry Fowle

Henry Purkett

A. Sigourney

R. Lash junr

Thomas P Jackson

Sir Andrew Sigourney gave notice that Sir C. Sigourney had relinquished his membership.

Voted that the Bye Laws remain suspended until the next meeting.

Voted that the next meeting be helden at Masons Hall near the Market, on the Wednesday next after the full of the Moon in March next.

Voted that the Commissary General remove all the furniture regalia &c to the place assigned for the next meeting, previous thereto

Voted that the Grand Master of Dispatches procure notifications (blanks) previous to the next meeting.

Attest

R. Lash junr GMD

At a meeting of the members of the Encampment at Masons Hall, north side of the Market house, on Wednesday evening) Feb. 20. 1805

J B Hammatt Present

N Brown

W Learned

A Dumesnil

Edw^r Harsman

H Fowle

S Billings

A Sigourney

R Lash jr

T P Jackson

No business done at this meeting.

At a meeting of the members of the Encampment at Masons hall, north side of the Market house, on Wednesday evening) March 20. 1805

Present.

T P Jackson

N Brown

A Dumesnil

W Bentley

E Harsman

H Fowle

S Billings

H Purkett

A Sigourney

R Lash junr

Sir Thos P Jackson, E Harsman & H Fowle were appointed a Committee to revise the By laws and report thereon at the meeting on the Wednesday next after the full of the moon in April next. to which time this Encampment stands adjourned.

Sir H. Purkett was appointed a Committee to confer with Comp^r m William Eaton to serve this Encampment as Sentinel, after he shall receive the order of Knighthood

At a special Encampment of the Knights of the Red Cross
held at Masons Hall on Saturday evening April 5. 1805

Present
H Hudson Capt Gd
J D Hammatt Gd
Joseph Tucker Gd
Edw^r Horsman
Visitor
Sir. Park

Henry Fowler R.S.M.D.M
Samuel Billings 1st Gen.
Henry Purkett 2^d d.
Adigourney G.M.C
Thomas P Jackson G.M.C

The Encampment being opened in due form, Companion William Eaton was ballotted for unanimously accepted, and this degree was conferred on him - He was afterwards appointed Sentinel to the Encampment for the year.

At a regular meeting of the Members of the Encampment of Knights of the Red Cross, held at Masons Hall on Wednesday evening April 17. 1805

Present
E Horsman
H Hudson
R Lash Jr
Wm Eaton, Sentinel

S Billings
Adigourney
T P Jackson
J B Hammatt
N Brown

The By-laws were read, as revised by the Committee, but there being so few members present, there was not a vote passed respecting them - Adjourned to May meeting

Att (R Lash jun.) G.M.D

At a regular meeting of the members of the Encampment of Knights of the Red cross at Masons Hall near the Market on evening May 15. 1805
Joseph Tucker
Edward Horsman
Visitor
Sir. Thomas Webb

M.J. H. Fowler
H Purkett
A Dignaney
T Jackson
J B Hammatt

The Encampment received a communication verbally, by Sir Thomas Webb, referring to a grand Encampment, which, from the expectation of being more fully informed thereon, was not taken into consideration

Companion Stephen Foster of Portland was proposed to receive the Order, by Sir Edward Horsman

Adjourned to the Wednesday evening next
succeeding the full of the Moon in September next

Att. R. Lash Jr. G.M.D

' At a special Encampment of Knights of the Red Cross on Saturday evening June 8. 1805.

A Dumensil
Joseph Tucker
William Eaton, Sentinel
Visitor
Joseph Eaton

H. Fowler M.C & S.M
N Brown 1st Gen. Gd
Edward Horsman 2^d Gen. Gd
R Lash jun. G.M.D
T Jackson G.M.C
J B Hammatt Capt Gd
Wm Learned Gd

The Encampment being opened in due form, the Petition of Companions Stephen Foster & William Cross to receive the Order of Knighthood was read, and having received the unanimous vote of the Knights present - the Order was conferred on them, after which the Encampment was closed in due form until the last Wednesday next after the full of the moon in September next

Att Robert Lash Jr
Received of Sir Stephen Foster. 10- G.M.D

of Sir William Cross - 10-
20-

At a meeting of the Encampment of Knights of the Red Cross on Wednesday evening September 11. 1805.

Present. Henry Fowle.
William Bentley
A Dumesnil
William Learned
Joseph Tucker
Samuel Billings
Henry Purkett
Adigourney
Robt Lash Junr
Thomas P Jackson
Edward Horsman
William Learned

A communication from the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar in Providence was read.

Resolved, That for the good of the superior degrees of masonry in particular, and of the institution in general we deem it expedient that an encampment of Knights Templar be formed and opened in Boston

Resolved, that those Knights Templar who are members of this Encampment, be requested to confer the degree on such other members as shall be solicitous to obtain it.

Adjourned to next regular meeting

At R. Lash Jr.

At a meeting of the members of the Encampment of Knights of the Red Cross. Wednesday evening Oct 19 1805. — there were present

Henry Purkett
Andrew Sigourney
Thomas P Jackson
J Tucker
A Dumesnil
Robert Lash Jr
William Eaton, Sentinel

There was not any business transacted at this meeting.

At a meeting of the Encampment of Knights of the Red Cross on Wednesday evening November 13. 1805

Henry Fowle. R.S. & M.D.M
Samuel Billings 1st Genl
Henry Purkett 2nd Genl
Andrew Sigourney G.M.F
Robert Lash Jr. G.M.D
Thomas P Jackson G.M.L
Heretick Hudson Capt. l'd's
Nathaniel Brown Com. b
William Learned. Herald
E Horsman
William Eaton, Sentinel

The Encampent being formed, Companion James Wilson received the Order of Knighthood — The Grand Master of Dispatches exhibited his account, which was accepted & is as follows —

Dr Encampment of K.C. in account with Robert Lash Jr. G.M.D. Co	1805	
To cash p.d. for notifications. 4	June 8. By cash S Foster	— 10-
" fees of Office. 3 Candidates. 3	" do - W Cross	— 10
Nov. 13 " cash p.d. Mr. Finaner 23	Nov. 13 " do - Wilson	— 10
	30.	30

The Encampment thus closed in due form
Atto Robert Lash Jr. G.M.D.

At a regular meeting of the Encampment of Knights of the Red Cross on Wednesday evening December 11th 1805

Henry Hudson Capt. l'd's Henry Fowle. R.S. & M.D.M
Samuel Billings 1st Genl
Henry Purkett 2nd Genl
Andrew Sigourney G.M.F
Nathaniel Brown G.M.D. (P.T.)
Thomas Jackson G.M.L

Voted, to proceed to the choice of Officers for the year ensuing previous to which Sir Henry Fowle was chosen Marshalator — Sir Samuel Billings was appointed a Committee to collect, count & assort the votes. The following

Knights were elected to the respective offices affixed to
their names. Viz.

Sir Henry Hudson Capt. Gds
Joseph Tucker Com. Gen.
William Learned Herald
John B. Hammatt Gds
John Sweett Gds
William Eaton, Sentinel.

Sir Henry Fowle R.S. & M.D.M
Sam'l Billings 1st Gen't
Henry Purkett 2nd Gen't
Andrew Sigourney AM F
Robert Lash Jr. Q.M.D
Thomas Jackson Q.M.C

Sir Samuel Billings moved, that Sir Nathaniel Webb
be an honorary member - which was consented to by the
Encampment, and Sirs Samuel Billings, Henry Purkett
and Thomas Jackson were appointed a Committee to
express to him this vote - Sir Webb then returned his thanks
to the Encampment for the favour conferred on him.

The Chd proposed Campanian Phillips to
receive the order of knighthood in turn -

The meeting was then dissolved

Attest. Nathaniel Brown Q.M.C
P.S.

At a meeting of the Encampment of Knights of the
Red Cross on Wednesday evening January 8. A.D. 1806

Sir A. Dumessil Present for Henry Fowle M.D.M & R.S.
Edward Horsman
Mzekiah Hudson
Visitor Nathaniel Brown
Sir Joshua Eaton

Henry Purkett 1st Gen't
Andrew Sigourney AM F
Robert Lash Jr. Q.M.D
Thomas Jackson Q.M.C
William Learned M.D.
John Tyason Capt. Gds

There was not any business at this meeting

Attest. Robert Lash Jr. Q.M.D

At a meeting of the members of the Encampment of
Knights of the Red Cross held at Mason's Hall north side of
the market house, on Saturday evening March 15. 1806

Present Henry Fowle
William Bentley
Joseph Tucker
A. Dumessil
Samuel Abbot
Nathaniel Brown

Henry Purkett
Andrew Sigourney
Robert Lash Jr.
Thomas Jackson
John B. Hammatt
William Learned
Benjamin Smith
Edward Horsman

The members resolved themselves in Committee
of the whole on the Question, "whether this Encampment
shall be dissolved". Sir Benjamin Smith in the Chair.

After an address by Sir Henry Fowle, stating
the reasons for dissolving, viz. that the right of forming an
Encampment of Knights of the Red cross was at first only
assumed; and that it is now illegal to hold meetings, be-
cause there is an established Grand Encampment of Knights
Templars, who cannot recognize us on the present principle
of our Society: the Question was put, and obtained in the
affirmative by a unanimous vote.

On motion of Sir William Bentley. Voted that the
members of this Encampment, present the Regalia Furniture
belonging to them, to the Encampment of Knights Tem-
plar, which is held at Boston; on condition however
that the members of the former, who are now absent shall
be entitled to their proportion of the cost of those articles, un-
less they shall agree to this vote.

Voted that the Secretary be requested to present the
the Encampment of Knights Templar with a copy of the above
vote - and a list of the names of the absent members.

Voted

Voted That the books and papers belonging to the department of G.M. of dispatches be also presented to the Encampment of Templars with a request that they may be deposited in their archives.—

Voted. That the balance (after having paid the just debts of the Encampment) which shall be in the hands of the G.M. Finances, shall be given to William Eaton, as a compensation, in addition to what was agreed to be paid him for his services as Sentinel.—

Voted that the thanks of this Encampment be given to Sir. Benjamin Smith for his good services as moderator of this meeting.—

Then the meeting was dissolved.

Attest Robt Lash Junr Secy

Inventory of Regalia &c —

3 Trunks (cost)	5. 00
1 Green Curtain	11. 13
Red Frock & Trowsers	3. 62
Books	2. 67
Crown Sceptre & marks	4. 50
3 Aprons	3. 00
3 Sashes	7. 50
3 Swords belts	1. 50
7 Collars	17. 50
7 Jewells	35.
	\$ 91. 72

Absent numbers

Samuel Billings
James Harrison
Hannah Hudson
John Swett

Article 1st

A Regular Encampment shall be formed at
Masons Hall, the North Side of the Markets on the
Wednesday evening after the full of the Moon at
6 o'Clock P.M (except from April to September inclusive
by during that time at 7 o'Clock,) so long as twelve
members, shall continue to meet, & the four first offi-
ciers may order an Encampment, to be formed on an
Emergency, and if for the purpose of creating a Knight,
he shall defray the expense.

2

The Officers, shall be elected, Annually, at the regular
Meeting of the Encampment, in the Month of
December, by written Votes, and each Candidate must
have a Majority, the Four first Officers, shall be a stand-
ing Committee, for the year, whose Duty it shall be to
Examine & settle the Accounts of the ~~Deputy Master~~,
and Secretary, and make Report of the same at the Annual
Meeting, and no Accounts against the Encampment
shall be laid, unless signed by the Chairman of the
Standing Committee.

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Any Companion, who may be desirous of receiving this Order, or Knighthood, shall make Application in writing accompanied, with a Certificate signed, by at least three Knights, certifying that he has attained to the 3^d Degree of Masonry in a man of a good Moral Character & respectability, he shall stand proposed One Month, at the Expiration of which time, he shall manifest his knowledge, in the former Degrees, by giving satisfactory answers, to a Committee, which shall be appointed to examine him previous to his being balloted for, he shall deposit at the time of his Application Five Dollars with the Secretary (which if he is not admitted shall be returned) if admitted shall on being knighted pay Five Dollars, in addition to the Deposit; but, if the candidate be bound immediately to Sec, he may after manifesting his knowledge in the former Degrees, to the satisfaction of the Committee, be balloted for, and if admitted and knighted, shall pay Ten Dollars to the Secretary, for the use of the Encampment.

4th

The Secretary shall insert the names of the Candidates or Companions, on the notifications which shall be issued, one day previous to each regular meeting, and unless the names have been so inserted, no ballot shall be taken, nor then unless a majority of the existing members are present, desirous & County members excepted. No County members, are those, who reside more than two miles from Boston.

* And be intitled to become a member, without any other fee anything in the 5th Article to the contrary notwithstanding.

Toronto 5th

Any Knight, desirous of becoming a member of this
Encampment, must stand proposed one month, his
name, shall be inserted on the notifications, previous
to his being balloted for, and a majority of the existing
members (^{and Country} Seefering excepted) must be present on the
Occasion & if he obtain an unanimous ballot, shall
sign the day ~~I now~~^{of} shall ~~be sent~~ to the Secretary for
the use of the Encampment, Five Dollars, ~~for Knights~~
~~in distinction~~ ~~and~~ ~~ten~~ ~~Dollars~~; when the
number of members is complete, such as may be
proposed, shall be continued on the books, and
balloted for in rotation as vacancies may happen.
The number of members, shall not exceed forty
unless increased, by the concurrence of two thirds
of the existing members.

6th

X Any Member, who shall absent himself from three
Successive Regular Meetings, shall be notified
thereof on the fourth, by the Secretary's inserting
^{L.M.} the same on his notification, & if he does not then
appear, or send an excuse, to the satisfaction, of
the members present, his name, shall be erased
from the books.

Ch

Every Member chosen, on a Committee, on Business
of the Encampment, and who accepts of his ap-
pointment, shall duly attend thereto, at the time and
place, appointed, by the Chairman, The first Mem-
ber chosen, on all Committees, shall be the Chairman
and shall notify the others to attend, and all Commit-
tees appointed as aforesaid, shall make due Report,
at the next Regular Meeting, of their proceedings.
The Expenses of all Committees, shall be defrayed by
the Encampment.

8
Gm

That, the business of the Encampment may be
conducted with propriety every Knight, who has
anything to offer, shall address himself to the ~~Capital~~
^{Business} Sovereign as ~~that~~ most excellent Master, no Knight, shall
interrupt another when speaking; all disputes, shall
be, determined, by the Sovereign, and Knights, present,
and no member, shall disclose, the transactions of the
Encampment, under Penality of being expelled.

9th

The Property of everyone, belonging to the En-
campment, shall remain undivided, so long as
Twelve Members, shall continue to meet. —

10th

To defray the necessary expences of the Encampment
every member, shall pay ~~Twenty~~⁵⁰ ~~Seventy five~~ Cents a Quarter
and no member shall suffer his Encampage to
Exceed Three Dollars & ~~Seventy five~~^{40 cents} Cents, and every
Member whose Encampage, shall amount to ~~Three~~² ~~Dollars~~⁴⁰⁰,
shall be notified thereof, by the Secretary
inserting the same on his Notification, which shall
be continued, until it amounts to the abovementioned
Sum, and the Secretary shall inform the Encamp-
ment thereof, and the Name of such Delinquent.
Member, shall be erased from the Books in the
presence of the Encampment. Each Visitor, shall
pay for each and every Visit after the first, the sum
of Fifty Cents.

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Programme 11th

The Paymaster General shall receive all money belonging to the Encampment, from the hands of the Secretary giving him a receipt therefor, shall pay all accounts that are regularly signed ^{one of standing} by the Chairman of the Committee, as far as the money in his hand will enable him to; At the Annual Meeting, he shall exhibit, a Just and fair Account, of all the monies received and paid, and shall deliver to his Successor in Office, the Balance remaining in his hands, with all other property intrusted to his care, taking a receipt therefor; And as a compensation, for his services, he shall be exempt from Quarters.

Secretary 12th

The Secretary shall keep Just and fair records of all the Proceedings of the Encampment, collect all money and pay the same over to the Paymaster Genl. whenever, he has in his hands to the amount of Twenty Dollars, shall furnish, the Chairman of every Committee, with a copy of the Vote of their Appointment, shall issue Notifications, one day at least, previous to each regular meeting, shall keep a regular list, of the members, attending the Encampment; and at the Annual Meeting shall exhibit a fair account of all the monies, received and paid, and also, the amount of balance due from the members; And as a compensation for his services shall receive ~~One~~ ² Dollars per annum, for each Candidate, that shall receive this Order of Knighthood, and be exempt from Quarters.

13.

The Commissaries shall furnish the Encampment with, with such Stores and Utensils, as shall be wanted, and shall have the same, under their Care, they shall exhibit their Bills every Counter night and at the Annual Meeting shall render an Account of all Stores in their Department, and for their Services, they shall receive Fifty Cents each, for every Regular meeting they attend, and shall be exempt from Counterfeiting.

annual 17 June

At the regular meetg^g in May in the year
Comite shall have power by & with the consent
of the Adj't^t present to adjourn in the
month of the next meeting the same
meeting adjourned on the 1st of June
and to adjourn the same

These Bills shall be read, at the regular meetings
of the Encampment, in the months of December
March, June & September, and on no occasion shall be
dispensed with, nor altered, unless by a Committee cho-
sen for that purpose, by a Majority of the existing
members - Seafaring members excepted

Names	Time of Admission	Time of withdrawing	Time of forfeiture or Expulsion	Time of Death	Place of Burial
Henry Towle					
Sam'l Billings					
B. M. W.					
Eliza St. John					
Andrew S. Gurney					
James Allison					
Wm. Purwill					
Hosekiah Hudson					
Joseph Thaxter					
William Bentley					
William Scammon					
Nath'l Field					
Thos P. Allison	March 23				
John B. Harrington	March 23				
Edw ^r C. Harriman	" 23				
A. Thaxter	" 28				
Nath'l Brown	April 20				
John Swift	" 20				
Samuel Abbott	May 22				
Anthony Dummel					

Boston 19^t Sept 1836

Dear Brethren and Companion

I am grieft very much to molest you with such mournful
Request i brought my Family here in the latter part of
July and bin to work in Turnersfe in north Cambridge
and heft the promes of a stile Shop and through Freathy
i got thicarged by a nother workman i came here from
Banyor in state of mein with my Famile and had
to expent all my mony to bring them hiers; and i haft
do work for such low wages that i was not able
to lay up much in such a short time now i am about
out of work alre works i bin a round esferwhere and
can not find eny thing do clow mey Family consist of my
wife and four children and now here i am without
any mony Friends wood coal Bread and in the most
desperate state and need to be assisted and for all
i implor is imployment i dont care wot it is even in
mercenfis in groceries or Dryguts and most eny

Shing wat comes hanoly if i fail in this, so i am
in the greatest need to implor you for the law of god
and the law of my Children do helpe me, my Dear Companyon
i can give you my oath that i shant and would not im-
pose on you if your bylaws dont admit so i pray you all
to doe something inviquately for me and i hope you will
not forsake your most humble Friend

Aaron Blumenthal